New Hampshire Commission on PTSD and TBI

RSA 115-D, Law of 2014

The mission of the Commission on PTSD and TBI is to improve access to care and quality of care for veterans and service members who experience post-traumatic stress disorder and traumatic brain injury.

Brain Injury Association of NH

Care Coordination Program of NH

Disability Rights Center - NH

Disabled American Veterans

Easterseals Military & Veterans Services

Governor's Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, Prevention, Treatment and Recovery

Governor's Commission on Disability

Hospital Leadership Representation

Manchester VA Medical Center

National Alliance on Mental Illness - NH

NH Air National Guard

NH Army National Guard

NH Community Behavioral Health Association

NH Department of Health and Human Services

NH House of Representatives

NH Medical Society

NH Employment Security

NH State Office of Veterans Services

NH Psychological Association

NH Senate

NH State Police

NH Vet Center

NH Veterans Home

State Veterans Advisory Committee

TBI Provider Community

University System of NH

US Army Reserve

White River Junction VA Medical Center

March 22, 2019

Health and Human Services Oversight Committee
New Hampshire State House Rm 205
107 North Main Street
Concord, NH 03301

Dear Honorable Members,

I write this letter to provide you with an annual report on SB298 established as a permanent commission in 2014. Our mission is printed above and our membership is listed in the margin. We continue to meet on the third Thursday of each month at the Walker Building, Room 274, 21 Fruit Street, Concord, NH.

In January of this year, Col. Richard F. Oberman's term as chair ended and I was elected by the commission as the next chair for the upcoming two year term. I am honored to be elected for this position and shall do my very best to execute the mission of this commission.

In the past year, the commission attended numerous events throughout New Hampshire to gather information and provide education. We completed data collection from our second survey that was designed to aid in the development of targeted and relevant life style, employment, and health opportunities for NH Veterans, Service Members, and their families. Our lead analyst unfortunately resigned from the commission prior to providing a full assessment of the results. A small subcommittee was formed to analyze the raw data and is in the process of putting the results in a formal report.

Once we have a formal report, the commission will provide it to you and others so that we may assess the impact of providers who attended military culture training. In the months to come, we will revise our strategic plan to increase access to care and quality of care for veterans and service members who experience post-traumatic stress disorder and/or traumatic brain injury.

Respectfully,

Margaret D LaBrecque

Margaret D. LaBrecque MBA, NHA
Chair